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2. The Notice of Appeal was filed on <u>02 October 2006</u> . A br the date of filing the Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 41.37(a)), appeal. Since a Notice of Appeal has been filed, any reply AMENDMENTS	or any extension thereof (37 CFR 4	41.37(e)), to avoid dis	missal of the
3. The proposed amendment(s) filed after a final rejection,	but prior to the date of filing a brief	will not be entered by	ecause
(a) They raise new issues that would require further co	nsideration and/or search (see NO		Journal
(b) They raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE belo		1. 1. 1. 1.	
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(d) They present additional claims without canceling a	corresponding number of finally rej	ected claims.	
NOTE: See Continuation Sheet. (See 37 CFR 1.1	16 and 41.33(a)).		
4. The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.13		ompliant Amendment	(PTOL-324).
5. Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s)			
 Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would be all non-allowable claim(s). 	lowable if submitted in a separate,	timely filed amendme	ent canceling the
7. To purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a) how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided the status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:		ll be entered and an e	explanation of
Claim(s) allowed: Claim(s) objected to:			
Claim(s) rejected: 31-35,40-42,51,58-62,67-69,78,97 and Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: AFFIDAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE	<u>98</u> .		
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 The request for reconsideration has been considered bu see attached. 		n condition for allowar	nce because:
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13. Other:			
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U.S. Patent and Trademark Office PTOL-303 (Rev. 08-06) Continuation of 3. NOTE: The scope of the genomic sequence in claims 41, 42, 68, 69 has expanded from mammal/fish to homologs of eukaryotic sequence. This is a new issue of consideration.

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Applicant filed a response to the Final Rejection of April 4, 2006 on October 2, 2006. Because the claims have not been entered, the claims of December 29, 2005 are under consideration.

Claims 31-35, 40-42, 51, 58-62, 67-69, 78, 97, 98 are under consideration.

Maintained Rejections

35 U.S.C. § 112, 1st parag.

Applicant indicates that the art provides support for an artisan to practice enzyme replacement therapy for Fabry disease at the time the invention was made (Applicant's response, pages 5-10). Applicant discusses that the art teaches treatment with alpha-Galactosidase A protein (e.g. Schiffmann et al.). However, as indicated in the Final Action of April 4, 2006 (pages 4-5), the results of protein therapy cannot be extrapolated to that of gene therapy. Applicant also refers to journal articles of Eng et al. and Jung et al. for providing guidance for an artisan to practice the claimed invention using viral vectors. In response, the argument as they apply to using viral vectors is not germane to the instant elected invention, which is drawn to plasmids (see Final Action, April 4, 2006, page 2, under "Detailed Action"). Applicant is reminded that should journal articles be used to cite support, that a courtesy copy be provided with Applicant's response.

As such, the rejection, as it applies to the claims <u>remains</u>.

35 U.S.C. § 112, 2nd parag.

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Applicant addresses that claims have been amended. As the amendments filed October 2, 2006 have not been entered, the arguments supporting these amendments are not considered.

35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Applicant indicates that the Jeang et al. reference teaches that the CMV gene together with its promoter and spliced mRNA structure may contain all of the regulatory elements necessary for strong constitutive expression in mammalian cells. As such, the reference does not teach that the viral (CMV) promoter contains all of the regulatory elements needed for strong constitutive expression, rather a combination of the CMV gene, promoter, and spliced mRNA does (Applicant's emphasis, Applicant's response, page 10, 3rd parag.). In response, this is not persuasive. In reading the section indicated by Applicant, Jeang, page 222, lines 6-10 (see Applicant's response, page 10, 3rd parag), Jeang et al. describes the nucleic acid regions that comprise the CMV promoter (Jeang et al., page 2221, 2nd col., line 12 to page 2222, 1st col., line 6), but does not teach that there are other requirements (e.g. spliced mRNA) for gene expression. It is noted that it is unclear where in the Jeang et al. text spliced mRNA is required for transcription. As such, the rejection remains.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Joanne Hama, Ph.D. whose telephone number is 571-

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272-2911. The examiner can normally be reached Monday through Thursday and alternate Fridays from 9:00-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ram Shukla, Ph.D. can be reached on 571-272-0735. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to (571) 272-0547.

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